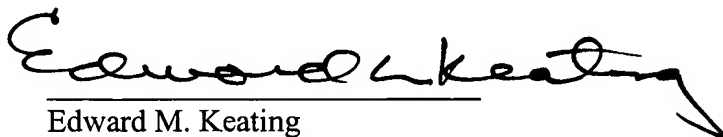


REMARKS

Applicant has amended claim 1 to delete some unnecessary verbiage. Applicant elects the claims of Group I, namely claim 1, (currently amended) and claim 2 for examination at this time. Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications to the unelected claims.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Edward M. Keating", written over a horizontal line.

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